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CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING 1-HOT

AND 2-HOT VECTOR TAGS IN HIGH PERFORMANCE

MICROPROCESSORS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following preliminary amendments and remarks.